(b) if so, the total number of officials and businessmen whose places/offices were raided alongwith the details of the property/assets seized in such raids during the last two years;

(c) the names and number of persons who could not be booked/chargesheeted even after such raids; and

(d) the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) to (d) Searches/raids are conducted at various places from time to time to check corruption in accordance with law. Searches are conducted to collect evidence against the accused persons and not necessarily against the persons whose premises are searched. Number of searches conducted in different cases and details of property/assets seized during the searches from part of record of those individual cases and no separate record is maintained.

Quota for scouts, guides and NCC cadets etc. in Group 'D' posts

1113. MISS ANUSUIYA UIKEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether any quota or bonus marks have been fixed for scouts, guides, N.C.C. cadets and sportspersons in recruitment for group 'D' posts under the Central Government;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the reasons for leaving out the 'A', 'B' and 'C' certificate holders of National Service Scheme (NSS); and

(d) whether Government would consider the proposal of fixing quota or bonus marks for National Service Scheme certificate holders also?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN): (a) to (c) A Scheme exists in the Central Government for appointment of meritorious sports persons to Group 'C' and 'D' categories in the Civil Posts/Services. Under this Scheme, the Ministries/Departments can appoint meritorious sports persons playing any of the 40 Games listed in the Scheme, to the extent of 50% of the direct recruitment vacancies to be filled in a year.

There is no quota or bonus marks prescribed for recruitment of Scouts, Guides, NCC Cadets and certificate holders of National Service Scheme for recruitment of Group 'D' posts of Central Government.

(d) There is no such proposal under consideration.

Poor quality of services by BSNL and MTNL

†1114. SHRI PRABHAT JHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government is aware that poor mobile services are being provided by MTNL and BSNL in comparison to services provided by the private mobile companies;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the steps taken by Government

(c) whether it is also a fact that number of disconnections sought has increased since last year due to poor telecom services; and

(d) if so, the details of the availed disconnection, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI JYOTIRADITYA MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) Sir, Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) based Cellular Mobile Service of BSNL is working satisfactorily and is, in general, meeting the Quality of Service (QoS) parameters prescribed by TRAI. The service is comparable with that being provided by other operators. However, congestion has been observed in the mobile network sometimes at some places for which action has already been initiated by BSNL for augmenting the mobile network capacity. The augmentation will also enhance coverage and QoS. BSNL is optimizing its network continuously for its performance. Monitoring of the network has also been strengthened to ensure performance as per the QoS parameters prescribed by TRAI.

MTNL is providing State-of-the-art telecom services to its subscribers. The mobile service of MTNL is meeting most of the benchmarks in respect of Quality of Service (QoS) parameters prescribed by TRAI. However, it is submitted that Quality of Service (QoS) improvement is a continuous process. Measures like antenna tilting, addition of BTS, upgradation of BTS and optimization of network, provision of Indoor solution are under taken on a continuous basis by MTNL to improve the mobile services. In order to improve coverage, MTNL has planned to add 120 Base Transceiver Station (BTS) in Delhi and 290 BTS in Mumbai during 2008-09. MTNL has so far added 98 BTS in Delhi and 50 BTS in Mumbai during the current financial year.

(c) and (d) No, Sir. The net connections of BSNL and MTNL have increased since last year.

Deputation and promotion of officers

1115. SHRI D. RAJA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government is following a uniform and transparent policy with regard to deputations and promotions for All India Service Officers;

(b) whether it is a fact that the policy with regard to deputations and promotions is not being following equitably;

(c) the steps that would be taken to ensure that all Government servants are treated in same, equitable and fair way; and

(d) the steps proposed to ensure that empanelment promotions and postings and deputations are transparent and fair?